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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Ulrich C. Boettiger, Scott L. Light, William T. Rericha and Craig A. Hickman

Application No. : 09/945,167 Confirmation No.: 1582

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For : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR IRRADIATING A MICROLITHOGRAPHIC SUBSTRATE

Art Unit : 1756

Docket No. : 108298543US

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR. § 1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicants herewith petition the Commissioner of Patents under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) for a one-month extension of time for filing the response to the Examiner's Action dated October 9, 2001, from December 9, 2001, to January 9, 2002, and enclose the amount of \$110.00 for the requisite fee. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 50-0665. This petition is being submitted in triplicate.

Respectfully submitted,
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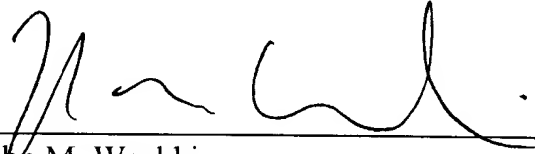
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AUTHORIZATION FOR EXTENSIONS OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(A)(3)

Sir:

With respect to the above-identified application, the Commissioner is authorized to treat any concurrent or future reply requiring a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3) for its timely submission as incorporating a petition therefor for the appropriate length of time. The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0665.

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